

REMARKS

Claim 1-34 and 36-37 have been canceled without prejudice. Claim 35 is thus currently pending in this application. Applicants have carefully reviewed the positions presented in the Office Action and respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in view of the remarks presented below.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 20-27, 34 and 36-37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Each of these claims has been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

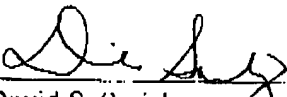
Claim 35 was allowed.

CONCLUSION

Applicant has made an earnest and bona fide effort to clarify the issues before the Examiner and to place this case in condition for allowance. Therefore, allowance of Applicant's claim 35 is believed to be in order and a Notice of Allowance to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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